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PARIS NEW DELHI CAIRO FROM USUN 20 APR 73 REPEATED YOU FOR
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QUOTE USUN 1465

NEW DELHI FOR TODEP

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SUBJ: SC MEETING ON BEIRUT RAID: STATE OF PLAY -

APRIL 19, 1973 AS OF 1800

1. AS REPORTED USUN 1449 BRITISH AND FRENCH HAVE
TABLED RES. AMB SCALI MET WITH SC PRES AT 1515 AND INFORMED
BY HIM THAT LEBANON AND EGYPT HAVE AGREED TO RES. HE
PROPOSED SC MEET 1000 APRIL 20. HE THEN INFORMED US EGYPT
INTENDS TO HAVE SUBMITTED FOLLOWING AMENDMENT AS OP PARA 5
AND THAT COSPONSORS WILL ACCEPT, WHEREUPON AMENDMENT BECOMES
PART OF RES " CALLS UPON ALL STATES TO REFRAIN FROM PROVIDING
ANY ASSISTANCE WHICH ENCOURAGES SUCH MILITARY ATTACKS OR
IMPEDES THE SEARCH FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT".

2. SC PRES STATED THAT BRITISH AND FRENCH WOULD AGREE TO
REQUEST FOR SEPARATE VOTE ON PARA 5 IN EXPECTATION US WOULD
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VOTE AGAINST. THEY HOPED THAT US WOULD THEN ABSTAIN ON
REMAINDER OF RES.

3. SCALI SAID WE WERE DEEPLY DISTURBED BY THIS DEVELOPMENT
FOR WE HAD SOUGHT EARNESTLY AND SERIOUSLY TO NEGOTIATE WITH
LEBANON AN ACCEPTABLE DRAFT. THE BRITISH- FRENCH ACTION WAS
CERTAINLY PERCIPITATE FOR WE HAD NOT THOUGHT NEGOTIATING
POSSIBILITIES HAD BEEN EXHAUSTED. IT WAS WITH REGRET THAT
WE HAD TO TELL THE PRES THT RES " WILL NOT PASS," AND
NEITHER WOULD PROPOSED EGYPTIAN AMENDMENT.

4. SC PRES REPLIED, IN HIS CAPACITY AS PERUVIAN PERMREP,
THAT OP PARA 1 GAVE " SOME BALANCE" TO RES. SCALI ANSWERED
WE WANT " BALANCE NOT SOME BALANCE."

5. FOR THE RECORD: DURING DAY LEBANESE HAD INFORMED US
SUDANESE WERE VERY UPSET BY OUR EFFORT, AND LEBANON' S
EARLIER AGREEMENT, TO INCLUDE REFERENCE TO KHARTOUM. HE
EXPLAINED THAT KHARTOUM INCIDENT WAS NOT ON AGENDA AND,
EVEN MORE IMPORTANTLY, INCIDENT WAS NOW IN SUDANESE JUDICIAL
PROCESS. SC ACTION ON THIS INCIDENT WOULD BE VIEWED BY
SUDAN AS INTERFERENCE IN THAT PROCESS AND HE EARNESTLY
REQUESTED US AND LEBANON TO DROP IDEA. SCALI UNQUOTE
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